

METAL / NONMETAL

Serious Injury Accident

Surface Copper Mine – A miner was preparing to reposition an axle support in a Caterpillar 793H Haul Truck that was leaning against a torque tube. The miner was between the axle support and the differential while attempting to attach a clevis pin. The axle support shifted pinning the miner between the differential and the axle support. The miner suffered several broken ribs and bruised lungs.



Best Practices

- Establish and discuss safe work procedures.
- Examine work areas and identify and control all hazards before starting any work.
- Ensure material is properly blocked to prevent unexpected movement. Assure energy cannot be released while the task is performed.
- Do not place yourself in a position that will expose you to hazards while performing a task.
- Monitor personnel routinely to determine that safe work procedures are followed.